Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 02 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Thursday 03 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 02 Dec 2020 at 04:28 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Wednesday and Thursday. High for changeable conditions to continue into the weekend although low confidence for detail.

Headline for Wednesday 02 Dec 2020: Windy with frequent and heavy snow showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 02 Dec 2020

Blizzards
Medium Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow showers (night)	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability					
50%	70%	80%	80%	80%	80%

Forecast for Wednesday 02 Dec 2020

Weather: Clear or sunny intervals and frequent showers of snow or hail, some of the showers will be heavy with risk of thunder. Some moderate falls of snow accumulating by evening on the higher slopes.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% in west, 50% in east. Cloud lowering to 400-600 metres in showers, this quite frequent across the west as showers run through.

Visibility: Often very poor with blizzards at times on the tops. Excellent visibility outside of showers and cloud, mainly east.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	40/46 W	36/43 SW	34/42 SW	31/40 SW	30/39 SW	25/33 SW	24/31 SW
900	37/43 W	34/41 SW	32/40 SW	29/38 SW	28/37 SW	24/32 SW	23/29 SW
600	25/31 W	23/29 SW	23/30 SW	21/30 SW	20/29 SW	17/25 SW	15/22 SW
300	7/32 W	5/29 SW	6/29 SW	7/28 SW	7/27 SW	6/23 SW	5/21 SW
Glen	10/22 W	7/19 SW	13/26 SW	13/26 SW	10/23 SW	8/18 SW	6/14 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-2/-11	-3/-12	-3/-13	-3/-13	-4/-13	-5/-14	-5/-14
900	-1/-10	-2/-11	-2/-11	-3/-11	-3/-12	-4/-12	-4/-13
600	2/-5	1/-6	0/-7	-0/-8	-1/-8	-2/-8	-2/-9
300	4/1	3/0	2/-1	1/-2	0/-2	-0/-3	-0/-3
Glen	6/3	5/2	4/0	3/-1	3/-1	2/-1	2/-1
Freezing Level*	700m	600m	500m	400m	300m	300m	200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Be prepared for some poor winter weather even at modest altitudes, with the freezing level lowering further in the afternoon.

Forecast for Thursday 03 Dec 2020
Weather: Occasional heavy snow showers in the morning, although these becoming confined to coastal ranges by late morning with drier weather developing inland. Best of the brightness across the northwest of the region in the afternoon.

Maximum wind: Southeasterly 15 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Cloud lowering to 600 metres in snow showers, otherwise little in the way of low cloud. Best of the clear summits away from the west coast.

Visibility: Poor in any snow, otherwise very good.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 3 rising to plus 3 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: 400 metres

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